

Application No. 10/777,148
Response to Office Action mailed April 20, 2005

REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, the undersigned attorney for applicant notes that neither the office action mailed October 22, 2004 nor the office action mailed April 20, 2005 was accompanied by a form PTO-1449 indicating that the Examiner had considered the references identified in the IDS filed on June 28, 2004. A copy of that form PTO-1449 is attached for the Examiner's reference. The Examiner is kindly asked to initial the form PTO-1449 to indicate that the references have been considered.

In the Office Action mailed April 20, 2005, claims 1 and 19-25 were rejected under 35 USC 102 (b) as being anticipated by USP 5,833,403 to Barazani, while claims 2-18 were deemed allowable if amended to be written in independent form to include the limitations of their respective base claims and any intervening claims.

With the present amendment, claim 1 has been canceled and claim 2 has been written in independent form to include the limitations of claim 1. Therefore, claims 2-18 are believed to be in allowable form.

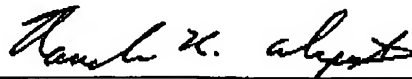
Also with the present amendment, claims 19-25 have been canceled.

Reconsideration of the application is requested. Claims 2-18 are believed to be in allowable form and define over the prior art of record. An early notice of allowance is requested so that the application may proceed to issue.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. Should a fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee to Womble Carlyle's Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

Respectfully Submitted,

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